Geary County

93 Health Factors Rank

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Population: 35,934

2023

Empty cells: Shaded cells indicate measures were new additions (@), omitted due to methodology change (#), or are unavailable due to low reliability.

Δ: Source data have not been updated since the 2022 County Health Rankings Release.

N/A: State is not ranked against counties.

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Kansas 2023
Number of Counties Ranked	102	104	104	104	104	104
Health Outcomes- Rank	**82**	**96**	**86**	**85**	**86**	**N/A**
Length of Life- Rank	85	92	91	99	99	N/A
Premature death (years of potential life lost, per 100,000)$^\Delta$	9109	9563	9848	10650	10650	7458
Quality of Life- Rank	67	95	60	55	59	N/A
% Reporting poor or fair health, adults#			18	19	15	13
Average number of poor physical health days, adults#			4	4	3	3
Average number of poor mental health days, adults#			4	4	4	4
% Low birthweight, <2,500 grams$^\Delta$	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	7.2
Health Factors- Rank	**89**	**100**	**87**	**84**	**93**	**N/A**
Health Behaviors- Rank	96	104	86	93	100	N/A
% Smokers, adults#			20	18	19	17
% Obese, adults age 20 and older#				37	38	36
Food environment index, 0 (worst) to 10 (best)	6.5	6.3	6.8	6.5	6.5	7
% Physically inactive, adults age 20 and older#				29	24	21
% Access to exercise opportunities#					80	80
% Excessive drinking, adults#			16	17	18	20
% Driving deaths with alcohol-involvement$^\Delta$	21	26	19	25	25	19
Sexually transmitted infection rate, per 100,000 population	519	517	842	1926	1989	502
Teen birth rate, per 1,000 females age 15-19$^\Delta$	68	64	62	64	64	22
Clinical Care- Rank	28	12	10	25	29	N/A
% Uninsured, population under age 65	9	8	8	8	9	10
Primary care physicians rate, per 100,000 population	28	35	40	47	47	79
Dentists rate, per 100,000 population	151	141	133	133	111	62
Mental health providers rate, per 100,000 population	289	313	316	326	367	224
Preventable hospital stays rate, per 100,000 Medicare enrollees	3439	2710	2580	3505	2541	2708
% Mammography screening, Medicare females age 65-74	43	40	38	37	32	42
% Flu vaccinations, Medicare enrollees	23	31	29	28	34	51
Social & Economic Factors- Rank	84	85	85	83	83	N/A
% High school completion, adults age 25 and older@			94	94	94	92
% With some college, adults age 25-44	73	74	74	79	76	71
% Unemployed, population age 16 and older	5	4.8	4.4	6.9	4.3	3.2
% Children in poverty	19	16	19	17	17	14
Income inequality ratio, 80th to 20th percentile	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.5	3.6	4.4
% Children in single-parent households#			22	24	25	21
Membership associations rate, per 10,000 population	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.9	6.8	13.2
Injury death rate, per 100,000 population$^\Delta$	61	63	67	75	75	78
Physical Environment- Rank	92	100	102	81	96	N/A
Average daily density of fine particulate matter	8.8	8.8	7.2	8.2	7.8	6.7
Drinking water violations?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
% Households with severe housing problems	18	18	20	18	16	13
% Driving alone to work	84	87	85	83	81	79
% Long commute - driving alone	9	11	11	12	14	22

Geary County

Health Factors Rank

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Health Outcomes Rank

The annual *County Health Rankings* provide a snapshot of the health of Kansas counties. The *Rankings* are made up of two summary scores: **Health Factors** (which measure issues that can shape the health outcomes) and **Health Outcomes** (which measure length and quality of life). The following tables illustrate the "**drivers**," or measures with the greatest impact on ranking position, for this county.

What do these drivers mean?

The drivers indicate the measures with the greatest impact on the ranking position. Drivers labeled with a green plus sign are measures on which the county performed particularly well. Drivers labeled with a red minus sign indicate priority areas which, if improved, could have the greatest impact on improving the rankings of the county.

Health Factors: Drivers with greatest impact on ranking, Geary County, KS - 2023

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Unemployment	Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work.	Social and Economic Environment	4.3%	3.2%	-
2	Sexually Transmitted Infections	Number of newly diagnosed chlamydia cases per 100,000 population.	Health Behaviors	1989	502	-
3	Teen Births	Number of births per 1,000 female population ages 15-19.	Health Behaviors	64	22	-
4	Some College	Percentage of adults ages 25-44 with some post-secondary education.	Social and Economic Environment	76%	71%	+
5	Uninsured	Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance.	Clinical Care	9%	10%	+

Health Outcomes: Drivers with the greatest impact on ranking, Geary County, KS - 2023

	Measure	Description	Factor Category	County Value	State Value	Impact on Rankings
1	Premature Death	Years of potential life lost before age 75 per 100,000 population (age-adjusted).	Length of Life	10650	7458	-
2	Poor or Fair Health	Percentage of adults reporting fair or poor health (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	15%	13%	-
3	Poor Mental Health Days	Average number of mentally unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	4	4	+
4	Low Birthweight	Percentage of live births with low birthweight (< 2,500 grams).	Quality of Life	6.9%	7.2%	-
5	Poor Physical Health Days	Average number of physically unhealthy days reported in past 30 days (age-adjusted).	Quality of Life	3	3	-

NR: Measure could not be reported for this county.

+ ***Green Plus:*** Measure with a positive impact on a county's ranking position.

— ***Red Minus:*** Measure with a negative impact on a county's ranking position.

Technical Note: The state values are only provided as a point of reference. They have not been used in the determination of county rankings or top drivers for health outcomes and health factors. Drivers are provided in order of impact on ranking for this year. For more information on the calculation of score and rankings, please visit: https://bit.ly/2023CHRzScores. For more information on measure source, ranking weight and year(s), please visit https://bit.ly/CHRinfo.

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